1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
45	TAFCO**	0.41	0.48	0.07	*	*	*
46	TCIL	110.34	102.36	118.76	127.03	93.57	64.98
47	BLC	7.40	6.80	1.85	1.74	2.09	*
48	EPI	155.04	184.66	180.92	171.05	260.97	396.81
49	NIDC	9.80	3.86	2.80	6.85	4.28	0.78
	TOTAL:	10567.82	11132.04	11355.69	11324.85	11280.34	11642.94

*Not in production/operation for full year.

**Establishments of the company have been closed.

Toning up the financial health of PSUs

3548. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of measures taken by Government to tone up the financial health of the Public Sector Undertakings;

(b) how far these have helped in improving the financial performance of the public sector enterprises;

(c) how far the management of these enterprises is accountable for their better performance;

(d) whether any accountability has been fixed; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) The performance improvement is a continuous process and enterprise specific steps are taken by the administrative Ministries/Departments and Management of the Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) from time to time. Some of the steps taken/being taken are managerial and financial restructuring, formation of joint ventures, upgradation of technology, modernization of plants and machinery, cost control measures, rationalization of manpower, improved marketing strategies etc. as the case may be. No specific study has been made to access the impact of specific measures taken.

(c) to (e) The Board of Directors of a company is fully accountable for the affairs of the company. There are various methods of fixing accountability.

These include the MoUs signed every year, performance review meetings conducted by the administrative Ministries, performance appraisal through annual confidential reports, audit by statutory auditors/CAG, examination by COPU etc.

ITF in Jessop & Co. Ltd.

3549. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Directorate General of Mines Safety has informed that the Integrated Test Facilities (ITF) of Jessop & Co. Ltd. should be retained as a National Test House; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Govenrment to maintain the present status of ITF in view of the decision to privatize Jessop?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the terms of disinvestment, the Government through the holding company would be retaining 26 per cent equity in Jessop & Company Limited. It is, therefore, expected that the Integrated Test Facility of the Company would continue to be treated as a National Test House subject to fulfillment of performance standards as may be stipulated by the Directorate General of Mines Safety. The DGMS has been apprised accordingly.

ISO certificate to BWEL

†3550. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Ltd., situated at Muzaffarpur and Mokamah in Bihar has received ISO 2002 certificate;

(b) if so, the reasons for selling out such certified units;

(c) whether the Ministry of Railways can acquire these units;

(d) if so, whether Government would consider this proposal; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.